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APPLE PRODUCTION, BY VARIETIES, BY AREAS
1946 WITH COMPARISONS

The United States apple crop for 1946 in commercial areas is now indicated at 111,728,000 bushels, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reported today. While this total is 64 percent more than the last year's record small crop of 68,042,000 bushels, it is 8 percent below the 1935-44 average. Preliminary 1946 estimates for the principal apple varieties by regions are shown in this report, along with estimates for 1944 and 1945. Apple varieties are classified as summer, fall, or winter. Summer apples are those harvested in the summer and usually consumed within a short time after harvest. Fall varieties are those harvested in the late summer and early fall, which have a relatively short storage period compared with winter apples. Winter apples are those which are harvested in the fall and keep well in storage.

SUMMER VARIETIES: The crop of summer apples is estimated at 6,529,000 bushels, 20 percent more than in 1945 and 8 percent more than in 1944. According to these indications, summer apples comprise 6 percent of the 1946 commercial crop. Included in this total is the 1946 crop of 1,938,000 bushels of California Gravensteins. For this variety production in 1946 is expected to be 44 percent less than the large 1945 crop of 3,487,000 bushels, but 9 percent more than the 1944 crop of 1,782,000 bushels.

FALL VARIETIES: Production of fall varieties is indicated at 16,852,000 bushels - about 15 percent of all commercial production. The 1945 fall apple crop totalled 9,207,000 bushels and the 1944 crop was 16,963,000 bushels. For Jonathan apples, the most important fall variety, production is now estimated at 8,640,000 bushels, compared with 5,201,000 bushels in 1945 and 9,537,000 bushels in 1944. For Grimes Golden apples, another important fall variety, production of 2,268,000 bushels is in prospect, compared with only 1,416,000 bushels last year and 2,574,000 in 1944. Production of Wealthy variety apples is indicated at 2,657,000 bushels, compared with last year's short crop of 886,000 bushels and the 1944 crop of 2,003,000 bushels.

WINTER VARIETIES: Production of winter apples this year is forecast at 88,347,000 bushels, or 79 percent of total commercial production. The 1945 crop of winter varieties turned out only 53,409,000 bushels. The 1944 crop totalled 101,724,000 bushels.

Baldwins: This variety is very short again this year. However, the prospective crop totals 2,287,000 bushels, more than twice the extremely short crop of 959,000 bushels last year. Production in 1944 totalled 3,964,000 bushels. Baldwins are grown almost entirely in the North Atlantic and North Central States.

Delicious: The year's crop of Delicious apples, the most important U. S. variety, is forecast at 21,234,000 bushels, 19 percent of the total commercial production. The crop was 17,441,000 bushels last year and 23,624,000 bushels in 1944.

McIntosh: McIntosh is the most important variety in New England and New York, but is of little commercial importance outside of the Northeast, Michigan and Montana. Production this year is forecast at 7,566,000 bushels, almost four times as large as last year's very poor crop, but 35 percent less than the 1944 crop.

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Rome Beauty: A large crop of Romes is now forecast for 1946 -- 6,900,000 bushels -- compared with 4,529,000 bushels in 1945 and 6,724,000 bushels in 1944.

Stayman: Production of Stayman apples this year is forecast at 7,107,000 bushels. This total is about 4 times as large as last year's very low figure, but 17 percent less than the large 1944 crop. Prospects are favorable for the Stayman crop in nearly all areas. Pennsylvania and Virginia are the most important producing States.

Winesap: Production is forecast at 13,613,000 bushels, compared with 10,741,000 bushels last year and 14,542,000 in 1944. The Western States usually produce about three-fourths of this variety and Virginia most of the remainder.

York Imperial: Prospects are favorable this year for York Imperial apples, which are grown mainly in Pennsylvania, Virginia, and West Virginia. The crop is forecast at 6,765,000 bushels -- more than twice the short production last year and slightly above the 1944 crop.

COMMERCIAL APPLE PRODUCTION,^{1/} BY VARIETIES
 1944, 1945 and 1946

Variety	Production		
	1944 : 1945		1946 (Preliminary)
	Thousand bushels	TOTAL 35 STATES	
<u>SUMMER VARIETIES</u>			
Gravenstein	2,101	3,592	2,365
Other Summer	3,961	1,834	4,164
<u>FALL VARIETIES</u>			
Grimes Golden	2,574	1,416	2,268
Jonathan	9,537	5,201	8,640
Wealthy	2,003	886	2,657
Other Fall	2,854	1,704	3,287
<u>WINTER VARIETIES</u>			
Baldwin	3,964	959	2,287
Ben Davis and Gano	3,452	695	2,953
Black Twig	1,341	334	1,255
Cortland	1,645	264	1,449
Delicious	23,624	17,441	21,234
Golden Delicious	2,510	2,055	2,424
McIntosh	11,591	1,985	7,566
Northern Spy	2,145	399	1,241
R. I. Greening	2,560	209	1,655
Rome Beauty	6,724	4,529	6,900
Stayman	8,600	1,723	7,107
Winesap	14,542	10,741	13,613
Yellow Newtown ^{2/}	4,171	4,775	4,549
York Imperial	6,696	3,225	6,765
Other Winter	8,159	4,075	7,349
TOTAL	124,754	68,042	111,728

^{1/} Estimates of the commercial crop refer to the production of apples in the commercial apple areas of each State and include fruit produced for sale to commercial processors as well as for sale for fresh consumption.

^{2/} Albemarle Pippin.

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A R E A	: 1944 :	: 1945 : (Preliminary)	: 1944 :	: 1945 : (Preliminary)	
	: 1946	: 1946			
			Thousand bushels		

SUMMER VARIETIES

	<u>Gravenstein</u>			<u>Other Summer</u>		
North Atlantic States <u>2/</u>	228	63	129	1,314	449	1,554
South Atlantic States <u>3/</u>	--	--	--	986	325	875
Central States <u>4/</u>	--	--	--	1,412	776	1,467
Western States <u>5/</u>	1,873	3,529	2,236	249	284	268
Total 35 States	<u>2,101</u>	<u>3,592</u>	<u>2,365</u>	<u>3,961</u>	<u>1,834</u>	<u>4,164</u>

Total Summer

North Atlantic States <u>2/</u>	1,542	512	1,683
South Atlantic States <u>3/</u>	986	325	875
Central States <u>4/</u>	1,412	776	1,467
Western States <u>5/</u>	2,122	3,813	2,504
Total 35 States	<u>6,062</u>	<u>5,426</u>	<u>6,529</u>

FALL VARIETIES

	<u>Grimes Golden</u>		<u>Jonathan</u>		
North Atlantic States <u>2/</u>	266	176	292	588	224
South Atlantic States <u>3/</u>	1,044	452	1,008	781	200
Central States <u>4/</u>	1,170	690	907	3,527	1,812
Western States <u>5/</u>	94	98	61	4,641	2,965
Total 35 States	<u>2,574</u>	<u>1,416</u>	<u>2,268</u>	<u>9,537</u>	<u>5,201</u>
					451
					684
					3,781
					3,724
					8,640

Wealthy

	<u>Other Fall</u>		
North Atlantic States <u>2/</u>	1,029	355	1,600
South Atlantic States <u>3/</u>	72	20	61
Central States <u>4/</u>	870	486	980
Western States <u>5/</u>	32	25	16
Total 35 States	<u>2,003</u>	<u>.886</u>	<u>2,657</u>
			939
			209
			1,000
			792
			324
			776
			447
			199
			488
			676
			972
			1,023
			1,704
			3,287

Total Fall

North Atlantic States <u>2/</u>	2,822	964	3,343
South Atlantic States <u>3/</u>	2,689	996	2,529
Central States <u>4/</u>	6,014	3,187	6,156
Western States <u>5/</u>	5,443	4,060	4,824
Total 35 States	<u>16,968</u>	<u>9,207</u>	<u>16,852</u>

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1944	1945	1944	1945
(Preliminary)	(Preliminary)	(Preliminary)	(Preliminary)
T h o u s a n d b u s h e l s			

WINTER VARIETIES

	Baldwin	Ben Davis and Gano			
North Atlantic States 2/	3,259	752	1,782	1,336	114 1,068
South Atlantic States 3/	--	--	--	1,203	249 1,070
Central States 4/	705	207	505	476	137 404
Western States 5/	--	--	--	437	195 411
Total 35 States	3,964	959	2,287	3,452	695 2,953

Black Twig (Paragon)

Cortland

	Black Twig (Paragon)	Cortland			
North Atlantic States 2/	245	125	227	1,629	258 1,440
South Atlantic States 3/	1,020	164	913	--	-- --
Central States 4/	8	2	21	16	6 9
Western States 5/	68	43	94	--	-- --
Total 35 States	1,341	534	1,255	1,645	264 1,449

Delicious

Golden Delicious

	Delicious	Golden Delicious			
North Atlantic States 2/	2,059	541	1,491	315	276 308
South Atlantic States 3/	2,922	610	2,173	632	352 645
Central States 4/	1,818	514	1,245	988	918 975
Western States 5/	16,825	15,776	16,325	575	509 496
Total 35 States	23,624	17,441	21,234	2,510	2,055 2,424

McIntosh

Northern Spy

	McIntosh	Northern Spy			
North Atlantic States 2/	9,441	1,394	6,122	1,178	212 539
South Atlantic States 3/	--	--	--	--	-- --
Central States 4/	1,679	283	1,178	967	187 702
Western States 5/	471	308	266	--	-- --
Total 35 States	11,591	1,985	7,566	2,145	399 1,241

R. I. Greening

Rome Beauty

	R. I. Greening	Rome Beauty			
North Atlantic States 2/	2,180	172	1,446	1,868	691 1,934
South Atlantic States 3/	--	--	--	510	201 527
Central States 4/	380	37	209	1,059	306 895
Western States 5/	--	--	--	3,287	3,331 3,544
Total 35 States	2,560	209	1,655	6,724	4,529 6,900

Stayman

Winesap

	Stayman	Winesap			
North Atlantic States 2/	3,332	391	2,732	154	75 129
South Atlantic States 3/	3,708	606	3,158	2,902	470 2,330
Central States 4/	1,110	286	794	389	273 447
Western States 5/	450	440	423	11,097	9,923 10,707
Total 35 States	8,600	1,723	7,107	14,542	10,741 13,613

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A R E A			1946		1946	
	1944		1945	(Preliminary)	1944	1945
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WINTER VARIETIES

	<u>Yellow Newtown 6/</u>			<u>York Imperial</u>		
North Atlantic States 2/	---	---	---	1,385	507	1,335
South Atlantic States 3/	729	156	644	5,127	2,547	5,244
Central States 4/	---	---	---	169	162	155
Western States 5/	3,442	4,619	3,905	15	9	31
Total 35 States	4,171	4,775	4,549	6,696	3,225	6,765

	<u>Other Winter</u>		
North Atlantic States 2/	2,196	324	1,767
South Atlantic States 3/	1,023	423	827
Central States 4/	2,805	1,016	2,424
Western States 5/	2,135	2,312	2,331
Total 35 States	8,159	4,075	7,349

	<u>Total Winter</u>		
North Atlantic States 2/	30,577	5,832	22,320
South Atlantic States 3/	19,776	5,778	17,531
Central States 4/	12,569	4,334	9,963
Western States 5/	38,802	37,465	38,533
Total 35 States	101,724	53,409	88,347

	<u>ALL VARIETIES</u>		
North Atlantic States 2/	34,941	7,308	27,346
South Atlantic States 3/	23,451	7,099	20,935
Central States 4/	19,995	8,297	17,586
Western States 5/	46,367	45,338	45,861
Total 35 States	124,754	68,042	111,728

- 1/ Estimates of the commercial crop refer to production of apples in the commercial apple areas of each State and include fruit produced for sale to commercial processors as well as for fresh consumption.
- 2/ North Atlantic States include Maine, N.H., Vt., Mass., R.I., Conn., N.Y., N.J., and Pa.
- 3/ South Atlantic States include Del., Md., Va., W.Va., and N.C.
- 4/ Central States include Ohio, Ind., Ill., Mich., Wis., Minn., Iowa., Mo., Nebr., Kans., Ky., Tenn., and Ark.
- 5/ Western States include Mont., Idaho, Colo., N.Mex., Utah., Wash., Oreg., and Calif.
- 6/ Albemarle Pippin same as Yellow Newtown.

